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Applicant: SOSHIRO KUSUNUKI ET AL.

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Title: INFORMATION PROCESSING EQUIPMENT

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated June 19, 2001, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add an Abstract of the Disclosure submitted herewith on a separate page.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in view of the above amendment and the discussion below.

In accordance with the above noted requirement, Applicants have added the required Abstract of the Disclosure.

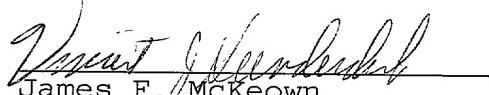
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would

be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381NP/42160C2).

Respectfully submitted,

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-- ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information processing system includes a desk with a planar display unit which also accommodates physical objects to be manipulated by the operator. The physical objects are representative of physical objects normally used in office environments when handling paper files. A camera is provided which continuously monitors the desk display surface and is coupled to an electronic computer which can be controlled by the operator by moving the physical objects and the operator hands to simulate paper processing tasks, such as mailing, faxing, filing, opening files, editing and the like. An operator driven menu is provided on the desk display surface for facilitating operator classification and storage of physical object shapes of those physical objects which are to be used. --